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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No. : 09/915,150
Applicant : Gary R. DelDuca *et al.*
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Title : Modified Atmospheric Packages and Methods for Making the Same
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Examiner : Robert A. Madsen
Docket No. : 47097-01080

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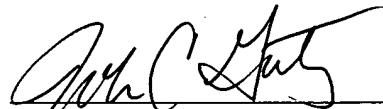
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Dear Commissioner:

The Applicants would like to clarify that the numbers recited at (a) paragraph 8 (including the Table) on pages 4 and 5 of the Second Declaration of Gary L. DelDuca ("Second Declaration"); and (b) page 16, line 20-page 17 (the graph) of the Amendment and Response to Office Action dated February 17, 2004 ("Amendment") are referring to dollar amounts in the millions. It is believed to be clear from the Second Declaration and the Amendment that the numbers are referring to dollar amounts, but in an abundance of caution, the Applicants are explicitly reciting the same.

If the Examiner believes it is necessary for the Applicants to file a Supplemental Declaration of Mr. DelDuca stating that the numbers are dollar amounts, then the Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,



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